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Smallpox in the District of Columbia.

WASHINGTON, D. C., *May 5, 1898.*

SIR: I have the honor to inform you that since my last report 3 additional cases of varioloid have been reported from Freedmens Hospital. These cases are all of an exceedingly mild type, occurring in persons who were successfully vaccinated on the 2d ultimo. The entire number of cases since the beginning of the present outbreak is 9. Four of them have been discharged from the hospital, leaving 5 still remaining in that institution.

Very respectfully, WM. C. WOODWARD, M. D.,
Health Officer.

Smallpox in Mobile, Ala.

MOBILE, ALA., *May 6, 1898.*

SIR: I have the honor to report that since the 30th ultimo 6 cases of smallpox have been admitted to the pesthouse. Three of these occurred in Whistler, a village 5 miles from Mobile; 2 were discovered in the city, and the origin is not known; all colored. One occurred in a recruit of the First Alabama Volunteers in a young man who recently came from near Selma. His tent mates have been isolated and vaccination of the whole regiment performed with other restrictive measures.

Another case (the seventh) exists in a white man, who is cared for at his home about 3 miles in the country.

The camp at Hurricane Bayou has been enlarged by erection of tents; I can not get figures for this report.

I am, very respectfully, your obedient servant,
R. D. MURRAY,
Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.